

USEFUL SNAKES.

Blacksnake Does Not Attack People.

The Copperhead Does not Lie in Wait to Make Attacks From Rear--Good They Do.

Many stories are told of blacksnakes that have attacked human beings, and a full-grown specimen might conceivably injure a weak, small child. Even at its greatest development this snake is incapable of doing more than cause an unpleasant constriction of the muscles of a grown person, and the tales of its attacks on men and women ending in serious consequences of any thing except itself may be put down as imaginary.

The copperhead is venomous. It belongs to the rattlesnake family is sluggish in its habits, seeking by day to avoid notice. It will not bite unless greatly alarmed or provoked, and the popular theory that it lies in wait to strike human beings from behind is entirely without foundation.

Recently a New Jersey man boastfully attempted to "charm" a copperhead and was stung by it. Usually its victims are those who unintentionally disturb it while they are handling brush or stones in the woods, or while clearing swamp land. Each of these snakes perform a valuable service to man in destroying small pests, such as moles and mice. The blacksnake eats the garter snake and the copperhead and rattlesnake, following their trails by scent, avoiding their poison fangs and crushing them to death. It is also a famous tree climber and a notorious robber of birds' nests. The blacksnake may be tamed. The copperhead also eats the garter snake, which is the prey of many birds and mammals.

The garter snake is among the most courageous of serpents. Notwithstanding its diminutive size it shows small fears of man though incapable of injuring him and its strength and agility make it a frequently victorious opponent of many animals greatly exceeding it in bulk. It is most prolific, a single female producing from 25 to 75 young at a time.

While the fostering of even the small and non-poisonous serpents, is not likely to become popular, they are of great value to the farmer in keeping down harmful animals, to combat which on a large scale no cheaper and effective means has been found. The harm they do is limited to the destruction of birds, but in the warfare for existence that continues throughout the life of all animals the birds are not without means of offense and defense. Were snakes the only enemies the winged tribes had to fear there would be no need of passing laws for their protection.

A study of life in the fields and forests will show that, however strong the instinctive dislike of man for his serpent fellow beings for his friends and allies rather than his enemies.

Doctors Are Puzzled.

The remarkable recovery of Kenneth McIver, of Vanceboro, Me., is the subject of much interest to the medical fraternity and a wide circle of friends. He says of his case: "Owing to severe inflammation of the Throat and congestion of the Lungs, three doctors gave me up to die, when, as a last resort, I was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery and I am happy to say, it saved my life." Cures the worst Coughs and Colds, Bronchitis, Tonsillitis, Weak Lungs, Hoarseness and La Grippe. Guaranteed at Z. Wayne Griffin & Bro's drug store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fitch* How Much Reform? If the Democratic party makes

FACTS IN NATURE.

Not Only Do We Get Inspiration From Nature, But Health as Well.

For people who are run-down and nervous, who suffer from indigestion or dyspepsia, headache, biliousness, or torpid liver, coated tongue with bitter taste in the morning and poor appetite, it becomes necessary to turn to some tonic or strengthener which will assist Nature and help them to get on their feet and put the body into its proper condition. It is becoming more and more apparent that Nature's most valuable health-giving agents are to be found in forest plants and roots.

Nearly forty years ago, Dr. R. V. Pierce, now consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., discovered that by scientifically extracting and combining certain medicinal principles from native roots, taken from our American forests, he could produce a medicine which was marvelously efficient in curing cases of blood disorder and liver and stomach trouble as well as many other chronic, or lingering ailments. This concentrated extract of Nature's vitality he named "Golden Medical Discovery." It purifies the blood by putting the stomach and liver into healthy condition, thereby helping the digestion and assimilation of food which feeds the blood. Thereby it cures weak stomach, indigestion, torpid liver, or biliousness, and kindred derangements.

If you have coated tongue, with bitter or bad taste in the morning, frequent headaches, feel weak, easily tired, stitches or pain in side, back gives out easily and aches, belching of gas, constipation, or irregular bowels, feel flashes of heat alternating with chilly sensations or kindred symptoms, they point to derangement of your stomach, liver and kidneys, which the "Golden Medical Discovery" will correct more speedily and permanently than any other known agent. Contains no alcohol or habit-forming drugs. All its ingredients printed in plain English on wrapper.

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Tariff reform its issue in the next two years, on how much reform will it insist? Will it style Protection "robbery," as it has repeatedly done in national platforms, and demanded practical Free-Trade, or will it ask for reform that will not destroy the Protective feature of the Tariff? If the former, Democrats in different parts of the country, while endorsing in general the party's policy, will be anxious to have the particular industries of their section protected, and the result will be, in the event of Democratic success, a patchwork Tariff measure that is neither one thing nor the other and will satisfy nobody. If "moderate Protection" is advocated the Free-Traders, the "students of maxims rather than of markets," will say that the party has not gone far enough, and that its attitude is hardly more to their liking than that the Republican party. The Republicans are consistent in their position. They believe in Protection, under the present Tariff as conclusive evidence of the wisdom of their policy.—Kingston (N. Y.) "Free-man."

In these days of rush and hurry courtesy is often forgotten. In the mad, pell mell rush of our life little things are done to offend that we rather remained undone. A hastily eaten meal and its resultant headache may cause us social or financial loss. The wise man or woman is the one who relieves little ills of this sort by a little dose of Kodol For Dyspepsia. It digests what you eat and puts your stomach back into shape. Sold by Z. Wayne Griffin & Bro.

How to Kill Sassafras.

An Ohio correspondent of National Stockman writes: I had a field covered with sassafras sprouts. I tried to kill them by farming corn, but they got thicker. I tried wheat, and they smothered the wheat. I sowed the ground in timothy, and that did not do any good. They grew so thick that a person could not walk through them. I left them until winter, when the ground was frozen hard. Then I took a grubbing hoe and cut them off at the ground and in the spring turned my cattle in on them, and they ate off what few started, and that settled them, and today you can hardly find a sprout in the field.

The Renewal a Strain.

Vacation is over. Again the school bell rings at morning and at noon, again with tens of thousands the hardest kind of work has begun, the renewal of which is a mental and physical strain to all except the most rugged. The little girl that a few days ago had roses in her cheeks, and the little boy whose lips were then so red you would have insisted that they had been "kissed by strawberries," have already lost something of the appearance of health. Now is a time when many children should be given a tonic, which may avert much serious trouble, and we know of no other so highly to be recommended as Hood's Sarsaparilla, which strengthens the nerves, perfects digestion and assimilation, and aids mental development by building up the whole system.

TO COERCE VOTERS

Must Vote for Congressional Nominee Before Participating in Primary.

Before Democrat is permitted to vote in the Democratic primary, November 6, he will first be required to vote for the Democratic nominee for Congress. When he appears in the voting place to cast his vote in the primary one of the judges will propound to him the question:

"Have you voted for the Democratic nominee for congress to-day?" Woe be unto the voter if he answers in the negative, for he will be denied a voice in the primary until he casts his ballot for the candidate for Congress the Democratic ticket.

This is the rule adopted by the sub-committee of the Democratic State Executive Committee which has in charge the arrangements for the primary.

The call provides that any Democrat seeking to become a candidate before the primary shall notify the committee of his intention in writing not later than September 20. It is also provided that each candidate must deposit the assessment required by the committee not later October 1 otherwise his name shall not be placed on the ballot.

The Raising of a Gigantic Telephone Post.

For fifteen years the Pacific States Telephone Company has supported its wires across the Chehalis River in Washington on 90 foot poles on each bank. One structure is on a bluff which raises 125 feet above the water about a mile east of Aberdeen. Last fall the necessity for supporting the wires at a sufficient height to enable the largest ocean ships which freely go up and down the river to pass beneath without striking their masts led to the erection of a remarkably tall pole. This surpasses in height the former stick by thirty-six feet, making the total height 126 feet. The new pole is 18 inches in diameter at the butt and 8 inches at the top. It was made from a fir tree, which was cut on the bank of the river twelve miles east of where the pole now stands and it was towed down in the water by a tugboat and mounted opposite where it is now placed.

As its weight is about 6,000 pounds, after it had been brought to the proper point on the shore by the tugboat its subsequent handling was no slight affair. It was taken from the water and raised with a ten horse-power hoisting engine, six men being required to handle it. For making attachments to the pole and moving a five-eight inch steel cable was employed to run through ten inch steel blocks. The pole was set twelve feet in the ground and guyed with four one-sixteenth inch steel stranded wires at the top and also guyed about forty feet from the top with four five-sixteenth inch stranded wires. The guys are fastened to dead men set in the ground to a depth of eight feet. These dead men are of cedar 8x8 inches in section and 7 feet long. The steps on the new pole are 6x10 inch galvanized steps of the usual type. Ample support for the wires is furnished by cross arms of the ordinary style.

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A Scientific Wonder.

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How the Deer Signal.

A gregarious animal has usually many means of communicating with its fellows. The well-marked livery of the species serves it as his uniform does a soldier—it lets friend and foe alike know who he is.

Next in importance is the white flag with which most deer do their wig-wag signaling. This is the tail and its surrounding disc. The sudden elevation of this white tail when danger is sent conveys at once a silent alarm to the next of its kind.

Another signal that I have not seen noted by any one else is thus described by E. A. Preble during his trip to the Barrens in 1900. Though the observation applies to the Barren ground species, I believe it will be found equally true of the woodland.

"Soon after leaving our camp on the morning of August 13 we saw some Barren ground caribou. A young buck on a point of land was approaching as closely as the depth of the water would permit—about 200 yards. He showed little fear, trotting along the shore abreast of our boat for about a quarter of a mile. He would frequently stop and wade some distance towards the boat, at short intervals spreading and contracting the white patch on his throat literally into an oval disc, so abruptly as to give the effect of flashes of light. He finally grew tired of following us and drifted behind."

What was the caribou doing? Apparently signaling to what might be others of his own kind out on the water.

The caribou's grunt, or bark, as Professor D. G. Elliott calls it, I have never heard in a state of nature, but it is said to be much like that of a reindeer, and my notes on this are very full.

"On July 4, 1900, got into a herd of about 1000 half-wild reindeer. Their only vocal sound is a grunt; this is uttered singly or else doubled—that is, two are given in rapid succession. It is sometimes the call of a cow to her calf and sometimes is uttered by one that is left behind, evidently a note of alarm or inquiry to find out if his friends are close at hand."

Torture By Savages.

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The Offensive Billboard.

On complaint of the city Improvement Society, of Lincoln, Neb., composed of wealthy society and church women, the police pasted strips of white paper four feet long over the legs and bust of a feminine figures used by a patent medicine company on three sheets of advertisements on 200 billboards in the city.

The picture is a large, buxom woman, garbed in the thinnest of gauze reclining upon the segment of a circle.

After the police had finished their work all that was visible was the face and bare shoulders.

When you have cold it is well to be very careful about using anything that will cause constipation. Be particularly careful about preparations containing opiates. Use Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar, which stops the cough and moves the bowels. Sold by Z. Wayne Griffin & Bro.

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